GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
LOK SABHA

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STUDY OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT
AKBOR ALI KHANDOKER

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Union Governmenthad taken up the sudy of solid waste management and improvement of water supply distribution management in Kolkata with the external assistance;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the project costs;

(c) whether the projects have been completed as per the schedule; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Union Government for completion of the projects without further delay?

Answer

MINISTEROF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRSND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY C URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a)&(b): Government of West Bengal had requested the Union Governmentto take up the study of solid waste management and improvement of water supply distribution management in Kolkata Municipal Corporation area with French assistance under the Indo-French Financial Protocol. The proposals were recommended by the Union government through the Department of Economic Affairs. The French Government agreed to provide Frenchgrant assistance of French Francs (FF) 1.4 million for the feasibility study on solid waste management and loan assistance of FF 35.999 million for the improvement of water supply distribution managament.

(c)&(d): The feasibility study on solid waste management has since been completed. The improvement of water supply distribution management project which commenced on 4.8.2000 is expected to be completed by June, 2003.